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CITY PAGE 2: Gus Bode says those fights were pretty fantastic.



Salukis' season ends in an upset

Karim held to 27 rushing yards

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The William and Mary Tribe showed the old adage "defense wins championships" still holds true Saturday.

William and Mary's No. 1 rush defense lived up to its billing, as the Tribe took down the Salukis 24-3 in the quarterfinals of the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs Saturday at McAndrew Stadium.

The Tribe (11-2) entered the game with the No. 1 rushing defense in the nation, holding opponents to only 50.3 rushing yards a game — while the Salukis came in with the fourth-rated rushing attack, which averaged 230.8 yards per game.

William and Mary controlled the line of scrimmage, as SIU could only muster 84 rushing yards the entire game.

William and Mary head coach Jimmye Laycock said it was a matter of his team playing in their style.

"We just played good defense," Laycock said. "That's what we do. You play defense, which means you get off blocks, you run the football, and you wrap up and tackle. We do those things very, very well."

SIU senior running back Deji Karim, who is one of three finalists for the Walter Payton Award, was held to only 27 rushing yards, and 105 all-purpose yards. He said his lack of production was a result of the Tribe's physical defense.

"They were just tougher than us," Karim said. "They were tougher, more physical than us — especially in the first half. We didn't help ourselves with the penalties and stupid mistakes."

SIU (11-2) looked poised to give William and Mary a battle in the first quarter though.



Freshman inside linebacker Rodney Reagans hangs his head as the Salukis suffered a 24-3 loss Saturday to William and Mary at McAndrew Stadium. The playoff game ended the Salukis' season.

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— Deji Karim, senior running back

SIU quarterback Paul McIntosh took the first play of the game up the middle 34 yards to the William and Mary 36-yard line. The Tribe's defense locked down and allowed only a 46-yard field goal to the Salukis on the possession.

SIU drove down the field on its next possession, but a holding penalty negated McIntosh's run to the Tribe's eight-yard line, and SIU kicker Kyle Daugherty's 39-yard field goal bounced gently into the end zone.

It was the last time William and Mary allowed SIU into the red zone.

"It was just about adjusting to a team we hadn't seen before," William and Mary defensive end Adrian Tracy said. "You can't really judge speed on film. I'll give it to (McIntosh); he had a few more steps than I thought he did. We were able to regroup."

After a first quarter that saw the Tribe manage only two offensive yards on nine plays, quarterback R.J. Archer and running back Jonathan Grimes went to work.

"After failing to complete any of his four passes in the first quarter, Archer completed 8-of-12 in the second quarter for 119 yards, while Grimes tackled on the first of his three touchdowns on the day with a six-yard run late in the quarter."

The Tribe never looked back. William and Mary outgained SIU 371-85 in the final three quarters, while holding on to the ball for more than 32 minutes — compared to SIU's 12 minutes of possession.

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Theater department survives in fiscal crisis

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The theater department is letting its shows go on as usual despite the economic downturn and cash-flow problems.

Mark Varns, chairman of the theater department, said the resourceful nature of the theater industry is what helps it survive rocky times.

"We're very good at utilizing resources," Varns said. "We try to recycle as much as absolutely possible."

Sets are reconstructed and costume wardrobes are refitted for each play, eliminating the need to buy new items, Varns said, and those procedures are usually standard.

Revenue from ticket sales help pay for most of the production costs, he said. He said ticket sales are lower this year, but the theater succeeded financially last year.

"But that's not atypical for us," Varns said. "It depends on the season's selections."

Vince Rhombert, coordinator of marketing and public information for the theater, said certain plays bring in more revenue than others.

"If the plays are good, people want to come," Rhombert said. "Although, we encourage the audience to come in even when they don't know the name of the play."

The economy is not as important as the title of the play when people consider attending, Rhombert said. Ticket prices are \$6 for students, which is less than the price of a movie ticket, he said, and that helps to bring in a larger audience.

"We're fortunate that we have a lot of strong supporters," Rhombert said.

He said the theater department, as well as other departments, are being financially affected regardless

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— Mark Varns, chairman of the theater department

of the support they receive. "You hear concerns about the budget from department to department," Rhombert said.

Varns said the theater department isn't better off than others, and might face more challenges in the spring when the department does most of its traveling.

Gabrielle Nisimi, a sophomore from Decatur studying radio-television, saw the most recent play, "Lysistrata," and said it was almost impossible to tell if the production of the play had been affected financially.

"They did a great job," said

Nisimi, who is also studying theater. "If there are budget problems, you couldn't tell."

The theater has been somewhat affected this semester despite the money gathered from tickets, Varns said.

"We've had to be a bit more frugal on our purchases in terms of production," he said. "We do what we have to do with whatever we have, and we do it to the best of our ability."

Theater students still need real-world experience in all aspects of the discipline, he said.

"We make sure that we're exposing

our students, who are majoring in theater, to a variety of theatrical genres so that they get full exposure during their time here," Varns said.

Resources are also people, he said, not just financial. Varns said the people in the theater department are more than qualified to handle the tasks they've been given in order to teach students.

"Really, really qualified, people can do more with less," he said. "That resource is every bit as important as the dollars."

He said the university is not alone in its budget crisis, and everyone needs to have a positive outlook for the future. The economy can't turn around right away, but it is capable after some time, Varns said.

"Everyone has to have a little bit of a pull yourself up by the bootstraps kind of attitude," Varns said. "We're just riding the storm."

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Cold can't trip the Lights Fantastic

Floats, faces light up for annual holiday parade

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As the Oberg children stood bundled up on Mill Street beside the SIUC Touch of Nature float and waited for the start of the 2009 Lights Fantastic Parade Saturday, only two words were on their minds:

"The lights," said 12-year-old Zamora, 10-year-old Grace and seven-year-old James, almost simultaneously.

Eric Oberg, the children's father, works with Touch of Nature and said it was the environmental center's first year in the annual holiday-themed parade, which had more than 50 entries for its 19th installment and ran for the third straight year in below-average temperatures.

As in years past, home-built floats, dance groups and marching bands from schools across southern Illinois streamed down South Illinois Avenue in front of hundreds of bemuddled and blanket-covered spectators. Notable entries included a giant boom box from classic rock radio station KGMO, a pack of go-karts adorned with lights and Rotary Club of Carbondale's globe, its "continents" made of white lights.

Although the city and the Carbondale Park District sponsor it, the parade is mostly supported by local donors, parade organizer Roxanne Conley said.

Preparation for the Lights Fantastic is a yearlong process, she said.

"We continue to work all year to improve on the year before," Conley said before directing a few Girl Scouts to their pre-parade positions on Mill Street. "We work on the lineup and make sure everyone is safe."

Fire marshals inspect each float before the parade, Conley said.

Jim and Mary Manis live in the Carterville area, but came to see their granddaughter march with the Carterville Middle School

band in the parade.

Jim Manis said he helped build a float for the first Carbondale Lights Fantastic.

"I think we've seen more involvement (over the years)," Jim Manis said. "The floats have gotten more sophisticated. That first year, it was a new idea and it was a lot of basic."

The floats are more sophisticated, perhaps, but still not without technical difficulties.

Bernie Weithorn, driver of the First Baptist Church's nativity-themed hayride float, said keeping the lights lit is the hardest part.

"If one light comes loose or wiggles out, half a string goes out," Weithorn said.

Walt Tomczak, of St. Francis Catholic Church, said replacing bulbs on his light-studded "ship" is time-consuming because they are individually glued into the wire.

Talking over the whir of an on-board generator — the power source for most floats — resident John Nugent said the parade signals the beginning of the Christmas season.

"Years ago, we had our daughters and our grandkids out here and

they were all excited and yelling and screaming," said Nugent, who drove the Rotary Club's "globe" float.

The idea for the parade came from the late Diane Neal, who saw a similar event in Peoria, and organized community members in Carbondale, Conley said.

"Everyone has chipped in and done their part for this every year and no one ever really wants to be recognized for it," Conley said. "That's one of the great things about it; we all just do it because we think it's the right thing to do."

Lines at local eateries were understandably longer, and while Carbondale resident Sheila Bowles said the parade is a financial benefit to the city, that isn't the part she enjoys most.

"It's just the excitement on his face," Bowles said, pointing to her 3-year-old son, Dalton, who was momentarily fascinated by the changing traffic lights at Illinois and West College Streets.

Though it may have commercial benefits, the parade is a non-commercial tradition that community members pull together for, Conley said.

"When you say 'Lights Fantastic Parade,' everybody just jumps in and wants to be involved and help, she said.



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A member of the Williamson County Shrine Club drives a miniature car draped in Christmas lights down the Strip Saturday during the Carbondale Lights Fantastic Parade. The parade included holiday-themed floats, area school marching bands and Santa Claus with his nine reindeer.

Calendar

SIUC Basic Radio Club meeting
7 p.m. Sunday at Engineering Room 2102

"I Just Want to Be Successful Cancer"

7 p.m. Friday at Campus Center
Different entertainment mediums/speakers held to inspire students to succeed

Submit calendar items to the Daily Egyptian newsroom.
Communications 1242, at least five days before the event.

Corrections

In the Dec. 4 edition of the Daily Egyptian, the story "Golden's birth errors final moments" should have said former cheerleader Walter Wenden was donated from the post because of a conflicting leadership style and a lack of communication with President Glenn Peckard. The Daily Egyptian regrets this error.

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Students' art auctioned for grants, scholarships

Art Over Easy 5 has largest ever turnout

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Robert Paulson beamed when the auctioneer announced he had won the small, still-life painting he bid on at Art Over Easy 5—the School of Art and Design's annual art auction.

Paulson, retired director of art and design and faculty member, said he enjoys attending the yearly auction and bidding on art created by his students and peers.

"They get their inspiration from right here," said Paulson, pointing to his heart.

The fifth annual live and silent auction had more than 300 guests and pulled in more than \$25,000 Friday at the Surplus Gallery with proceeds benefiting both the Robert Paulson Plein Air Painting Endowment and the Art Over Easy fund, said Tracey Norris, director of development in the College of Liberal Arts.

Norris said the event is the biggest fundraiser for the School of Art and Design, and showcases students' and community artists' work.

"This is probably our largest year so far," Norris said. "This is becoming a tradition for folks."

Peter Chametzky, director and professor of art history, said artists donate their work, and bids are started well below retail values in order to encourage competitive bidding. Each dollar spent is



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Kay Weatherford, wife of Larry Weatherford, who is the co-chairman of the Art Over Easy Auction & Gala, makes a bid on an item during the live auction portion of the event Friday at the Glove Factory. The money raised from the night will be matched by two private grants for scholarships and research in the School of Art and Design.

matched by two private grants for scholarships and creative research, he said.

"The grant closes Dec. 31, so these are the last big moments to gain as much of that as we can," Chametzky said.

Chametzky said despite funding and spending difficulties at SIUC,

the School of Art and Design is in good shape. He said the school has a strong tradition of support and is a nationally ranked program.

Claudia Torres-Ambriz, a graduate student in sculpture from Oxnard, Calif., directed the bidders at the close of the silent auction to their respective areas.

"This is the moment they've been waiting for," Torres-Ambriz said. "They've been hawking over these pieces all night."

Two years ago Torres-Ambriz donated a cast iron piece to the silent auction, and a bidder tried to hide the piece under her dress until the end of the auction, she said.

This year, Torres-Ambriz said she was unable to donate because she is getting ready for her thesis show in March. She said people wait all year for this event because they love the way art makes them feel.

"People want to think and feel with words and with objects," Torres-Ambriz said.

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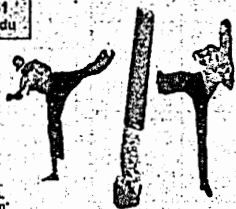
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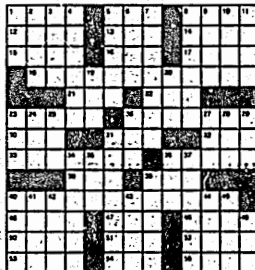
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12 The Love Boat: The Next
13 First question: dollar value on "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire"
14 Like a poor excuse

15 Judd Hirsch role on "Numb3rs"
16 "America's Talent"
17 Doan name in "Garfield"
18 1950s sci-fi series for John Cho
21 ... on a lot in
22 Light brown
23 Capital of Oregon
25 ... Peabody; film for

McQueen
32 One of The Three Stooges
33 Lou Grant's portrayal
36 Slippy, Sleazy or Grumpy
38 Hawaii's Mauna
39 Two root food served as a base
40 Actor on "NCIS"
46 Result of collision on iron
47 Baseball's Mel
48 Brand of cosmetics
50 Toward shelter; nautical
51 Misfortune
52 Actor Aubrey Jones of "Benson"
53 "The Hunter"; De Vito movie
54 Vitek section
55 "The Price Is Right" host

Down
2 Defunct U.S. airline
3 Two and a ...
4 Ice skating rink shape; often ...
5 ... the ...
6 Make a mistake
7 ... Head of the Class

8 Chuddles and Booz
9 ... Little Lenda
10 Title for a Mideastern ruler
11 Hourish
19 Actor Watson
20 "Norma ..."; Sally Field movie
23 ... You in September '60s hit
24 Assistance
25 Actress Thompson
26 Street paver's goopy substance
27 Doctor's org.
28 Neither this ... that
29 Two following ABC
31 Steve Allen's widow, Jayne
34 Christian ... of "The Forgiven"
35 Prefix for fat or sense
36 Part of every e-mail address
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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

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Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Everything you say is right on the money today. You understand your own role and the needs of your associates.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Your partner shares vital information with you. Now you can get moving on a project that was on the back burner. Jump in. The water's fine!

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — Your best source of information today is yourself. Tackle a writing project by listing what you want to include.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — You and your partner are on the same wavelength today. Begin new efforts early and complete projects together, for snafu-free results.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — You know exactly what you want to do. Now you have to communicate that to others and get started.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — Spend time alone today. You need some rest and some time to reorganize your thoughts. Solitude helps.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — You know what you want. You also know exactly how to let others know. Take action after lunch.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Once you get your juices flowing this morning, there'll be no stopping you! Use information from a dream to move work forward. Apply yourself.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — Various elements come into balance now. Mind and heart work together easily. Take the first step on a writing project.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — Formulate your own plan. Do this in private. Later in the day you get a chance to share your perspective.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Everyone contributes emotionally to complete a letter you need to send. Your partner applies the stamp of approval to the final document.

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Salukis' shots go cold against Billikens



Salukis' center Gene Teague attempts a layup during the 91-63 Nov. 14 home win against University of Tennessee-Martin. At Saturday's game in Saint Louis, the Salukis lost the lead in the second half. The final score of 71-61 gave SIU its third loss of the season.

Dillard only player to reach double-digit points

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Injuries and poor second-half shooting spelled doom for the Salukis against the struggling Billikens.

The men's basketball team (3-2) spoiled another half-time lead, as it fell to Saint Louis University 71-61 Saturday at the Chaifetz Arena in St. Louis, Mo. The Salukis, who have held a lead at half-time in every game this season, led 31-30 entering the second half, but the Billikens hit four three-pointers in their first five possessions to take the lead for good.

SIU head coach Chris Lowery said the team should not expect to win on the road with the way they have struggled in the second half.

"We've done well in the first half on the road, but the second half is where we have to really focus and really do the little things defensively," Lowery said. "You can get away with that stuff at home. You have to do things consistently right on the road."

In SIU's previous road game, it led University of Nevada-Las Vegas 37-34 at half before the Runnin' Rebels shot 77.3 percent in the second half to win 78-69 at the Thomas & Mack Center.

Sophomore guard Kevin Dillard said Saint Louis second half offensive surge shifted the momentum of the game.

"They hit those first three threes, and that kind of got them going," Dillard said. "It gave them momentum, it gave them confidence, and after that, everything fell for them. After that, there wasn't much we could do."

Dillard was the lone SIU player to score in double digits, leading all scorers with 23 points. The next closest scorer was junior John Freeman, who finished with nine points.

The Salukis started at a disadvantage, as senior guard Tony Freeman did not play because of a calf injury. John Freeman, Carlton Fay, and

Justin Bocot all played Saturday despite nagging injuries.

Lowery said the team could not use injuries as an excuse, especially the one to Tony Freeman.

"We got to get other guys going. Obviously, we're banged up a little bit, and we're hurt. Our thing is we didn't do the discipline stuff down the stretch, and it's on us," Lowery said. "We prepared for four days on the stuff they got us on, and it was effort, and it was energy."

The Billikens (5-3) came into Saturday's game losers of three straight with injury concerns of their own, as forward Willie Reed sprained his ankle against Georgia Wednesday. But the sophomore showed no sign of slowing down against the Salukis, finishing with 16 points, 12 rebounds and four blocked shots.

Saint Louis head coach Rick Majerus said Reed's performance helped open up the outside shot.

"The three-ball opened the game up, but I think we sucked them in on Willie," Majerus said.

The Billikens took full advantage of the outside shot, shooting 37.5 percent from beyond the arc, and 51.2 percent overall on the game.

The Salukis struggled to find any shot consistency, shooting only 34 percent in the game — and only 26 percent in the second half. Their performance from the three-point line was also lacking, as they shot 4-for-25 from the arc. They missed all 11 three-pointers in the second half.

Dillard said the entire game was an offensive struggle for the team, but is confident in the team's abilities.

"Tonight nothing really fell. Nobody else got into double figures," Dillard said. "They're shots that everybody normally makes. They just didn't fall tonight, so we'll go to practice, we're going to keep working hard, and are going to turn this around. I still think we're a good team. We only got two losses, but we got to go on a run right now."

SIU captures 15 wins in indoor track and field opener

Post six provisional marks

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The Salukis sprinted out to an impressive debut at the Saluki Fast Start Friday at the Recreation Center.

The SIU track and field team kicked off its season with 15 first-place finishes and posted six provisional marks at the exhibition meet against Lindenwood University, Jackson State, Murray State, Southeast Missouri, Southwest Baptist, Speedway, Belmont, and Missouri S&T.

Junior pole vaulter, Miracle Thompson set the tone for the Salukis early by finishing in first place in the women's pole-vaulting event. She set a new school record of 13 feet, 1.5 inches shattering her old record of 11 feet, 11.25 inches from last season.

Thompson said she has worked all year to get to the four-meter mark. "It felt good to finally get to 13 (feet). It took me a long time to try to hit that mark," Thompson said. "I feel a lot stronger and faster than last year and today was a good indicator of where I'm at now."

The SIU throwers also captured first place in the men's and women's shot put and hammer throw events.

SIU finished in the top three spots in the women's weight throw, with Gwen Berry taking top honors with a toss of 66 feet, 7 inches.

Jeneva McCall and Sasha Leeth both followed with provisional qualifying marks finishing second and third respectively. McCall went on to win the women's shot put event with a provisional mark of 53 feet, 4.25 inches.

SIU throws coach John Smith said he was pleased with the throwers' performances — especially in the women's events.

66 We have the best women's weight crew in the country. There isn't anybody that stacks up like we do right now.

— John Smith
track and field throws coach

"We have the best women's weight crew in the country," Smith said. "There isn't anybody that stacks up like we do right now."

The men throwers for SIU also excelled at J.C. Lambert took top honors in the men's shot put and weight throw events.

"All in all it was a good meet even though I don't think anybody threw exactly the mark they wanted to throw," Lambert said.

Sophomore jumper Malakiah Love wrapped up the field events finishing in first place in the triple jump with a provisional mark of 41 feet, 7 inches.

The Salukis also dominated the 60-meter hurdles placing the top

five finishers in the event starting with Meredith Hayes finishing first. Kandice Thompson (400m), Nefertiti Williams (600m) and Alisa Baron (800m) finished first in their events for the women while Cody Doerflinger won the men's pole-vaulting event.

Track and field head coach Connie Price-Smith said she was pleased by the team's effort.

"I thought it was a great start to the season," Price-Smith said. "Everybody came out and competed well. We had made some provisional marks for nationals and some personal records set today."

The Salukis will be back in action competing in the SASF Invitational on Jan. 15 at the Recreation Center.

Texas, 'Bama to meet in title game

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

No. 1 Alabama will play No. 2 Texas in the BCS national championship game, a second straight Southeastern Conference vs. Big 12 matchup to decide the title.

Texas (13-0) struggled to beat Nebraska in the Big 12 championship game Saturday night. That 13-12 victory left just a little doubt about whether the unbeaten Longhorns would indeed earn a trip to Pasadena, Calif., for the Jan. 7 title game.

But Texas moved into second place in the Bowl Championship Series standings as expected and will play Alabama for the first time, since the 1982 Cotton Bowl.

The Longhorns are 7-0-1 against the Crimson Tide.

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Neptune led the Salukis with 14 points, eight rebounds and six assists. Oliver was second on the team with 12 points.

Leading the game in scoring was Colorado State's Bonnie Barbee, who had 30 points in the game. Barbee went 12-of-20 from the floor and 5-of-9 from three-point range.

"We knew she was going to get points," Tiber said. "I am disappointed we did nothing to answer it on the offensive end."

Oliver said she thought the Salukis played well on the weekend.

"We just didn't have the same energy that we did against A&M."

— Teri Oliver, freshman guard

as a whole and have improved as the season has progressed, but that isn't enough.

"We have gotten a lot better as the season has gone on, but eventually we are going to have to start winning," Oliver said.

SIU returns to play on Dec. 12 when it visits Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Tenn.

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	Overall		Overall
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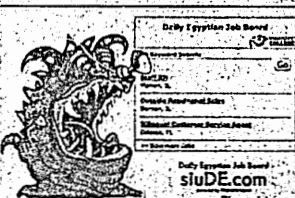
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What do you think was the biggest upset in college football in the past week?



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"I felt like we just had to get into a rhythm, our O-line, they were fired up, all game, and I just felt like it was a matter of time until we started moving the chains," Grimes said.

Not even the return of SIU quarterback Chris Dieker, who has been out since breaking his collarbone Oct. 24, could provide an offensive spark.

Dieker took over for McIntosh on the final SIU drive of the first half, then again in the fourth quarter. Lennson said he put Dieker in the game at first because of his experience running a two-minute drill, but he put him back in during the fourth quarter because of an injury to McIntosh.

"He's our thrower, and we felt that was the chance to get him in there," Lennson said. "At the end, it just seemed his time anyway, even without McIntosh getting injured."

William and Mary move on to face Villanova next week in the semifinals of the FCS playoffs, while SIU will move forward into the offseason. Despite the loss, Lennson said there was a lot to be proud of this season.

"We were the No. 1 team for a while, we did incredibly well this season," Lennson said. "I'm proud of my guys for the way they played this season. I told them I'm sorry we couldn't get any further."

William and Mary's offense best defense against Salukis

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Sometimes the best defense is simply a good offense.

William and Mary kept SIU offense shackled through the bulk of the second half on the way to a 24-7 upset of the No. 3 seed Salukis (11-2) in a Division I Football Championship Subdivision quarterfinal Saturday at McAndrew Stadium.

"We controlled the ball, we ran the ball," William and Mary head coach Jimmy Laycock said. "Jonathan Grimes did a great job of running the football. Our offensive line was very solid. Everybody did what they needed to do to win this game."

The Tribe (11-2) dominated on defense when they got the chance, limiting the Salukis to only 187 yards of total offense.

Check out siuDE.com for the rest of the story.

But it was the offense that controlled the ball throughout the game, preventing the Salukis from getting even a whiff of the field.

After holding the ball for only four minutes in the first quarter, William and Mary maintained possession for nearly 32 of the final 45 minutes of regulation.

SIU coach Dale Lennson said the Tribe did everything right to control the tempo of the game, especially in the second half.

"What we needed to do offensively was control the tempo, the best we could, and we probably kept our defense on the field too long, especially in the second half," he said. "You just can't have that. You just need to control the clock a little bit and give your defense a break. In the second half, they took advantage of everything and we were quick to slam the door on us."

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SIU remains winless on season

Texas A&M and Colorado State beat SIU

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The Salukis' signs of improvement have yet to garner them their first win.

The SIU women's basketball team (0-6) lost both games over the weekend at the Colliers International Classic in Berkeley, Calif. SIU lost against No. 7 Texas A&M (5-0) 72-58 Friday and to Colorado State 62-53 Sunday.

SIU head coach Missy Tiber said the team played hard in a losing effort.

"We played as hard as we could, but unfortunately they were bigger, faster and stronger and it got us," Tiber said.

Tiber said she was proud of the team for playing as well as it did against the competition.

"We bring a lot of effort and a lot of heart to the court for one game, then we just don't bring it for another."

— Missy Tiber
women's basketball
head coach

SIU started the classic hot, as it held an 11-3 lead against Texas A&M with 14:21 left in the first half, but the Aggies went on a 14-0 run, and the Salukis failed to take the lead again.

The closest they came was with six minutes to play in the first half when they closed the gap to one point with a score of 22-21. The Salukis closed the gap again in the second half, coming within seven points in the final 11 minutes, but they only made two field goals in the final 10 minutes of the game.

Tiber was pleased with her team's game plan in the matchup.

"They executed the game plan we wanted to keep the game competitive," Tiber said. "It put us in a situation where at times we put a little bit of a scare in them."

SIU's leading scorer was freshman Teri Oliver, who finished with 18 points and shot 4-for-7 from beyond the three-point line. Senior guard Christine Presswood scored 16 points in the game.

Senior guard Stephany Neptune got into foul trouble and had to sit out the final five minutes of the first half. It was 24-21 when Neptune left. SIU scored only four points after that, as Texas A&M pushed its first half lead to 37-25.

"It was tough for me," Neptune said. "I had four charges. I don't

know many point guards with four charges."

Tiber said Neptune was brought in to be a role player and a teacher and should not have to shoulder the entire load of the offense.

SIU held Texas A&M to a season-low 72 points. The Aggies previous low was 79 against Auburn University. The Aggies are averaging 87.6 points per game.

The Salukis had a similar result in Sunday's 62-53 loss to Colorado State. Oliver said the Salukis did not play as well Sunday as they did on Friday.

"We just didn't have the same energy that we did against A&M," Oliver said. "We would have won by at least 10."

Tiber said the Salukis' lack of energy did them in Sunday.

"We bring a lot of effort and a lot of heart to the court for one game, then we just don't bring it for another," Tiber said. "We're a very young team. And as a coaching staff that is what we are trying to figure out. Trying to push the fact we need a little bit better leadership."

SIU kept the game close, trailing 27-25 at the end of the half and 38-35 with 15:05 left in the half. Colorado State then went on a 15-6 run to make the score 53-41 with 6:39 left in the game.

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Katrina Swingle, a junior forward for SIU, tries to keep the ball away from Western Michigan players during the Nov. 25 82-77 home loss.

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